
Skill Procedures:

Kendrick Extrication Device

I. Usage

1. The Kendrick Extrication Device (KED) is designed to immobilize a patient found in a sitting position. It is most commonly used in automobile accidents where the patient is stable. If the patient is unstable, refer to the Rapid Extrication Protocol.

II. Procedural Protocols

1. Rescuer One should be positioned behind the patient to stabilize the head and neck.
2. Rescuer Two checks neurological and vascular response of all extremities.
3. Rescuer Two measures and applies the cervical collar.
4. The KED is slide into position behind the patient.
5. The KED is wrapped around the patient, and the middle strap is secured.
 - A. The KED should be snug beneath the patient's armpits.
6. The bottom strap is secured next.
7. Each leg strap is wrapped around the leg and secured.
8. The top strap of the KED is secured.
9. The patient's head is secured into the KED.
10. All of the straps are tightened down.
11. The patient's wrist and legs are secured.
12. A long spine board is placed under the patient's buttocks.

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II. Procedural Protocols (continued)

13. The patient is removed from the vehicle and transferred to the long spine board.
14. Disconnect the leg straps, allowing the patient's legs to lay flat on the long spine board.
15. Refer to the Securing a Patient to the Long Spine Board.



III. Notes

1. Neurological and vascular checks should be performed on the patient prior to and after extrication, and any changes noted.
2. If the patient is unstable, refer to the Rapid Extrication Protocol.